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              UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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             SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
    MARVEL WORLDWIDE, INC.,
    MARVEL CHARACTERS, INC.,
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    and MVL RIGHTS, LLC,
                    Plaintiffs,
                                     Case No.
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                                      10-141-CMKF
                VS.
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    LISA R. KIRBY, BARBARA J.
    KIRBY, NEAL L. KIRBY, and
    SUSAN N. KIRBY,
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                    Defendants.
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       VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF LAWRENCE LIEBER
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                   New York, New York
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                    January 7, 2011
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    KATHY S. KLEPFER, RMR, RPR, CRR, CLR
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4 Partially confidential videotaped	4	WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES
5 deposition of LAWRENCE LIEBER, held at	5	Attorneys for Plaintiffs
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4 AGREED, by and between the attorneys for	4	deposition of Lawrence Lieber in the matter
5 the respective parties herein, that the	5	of Marvel Worldwide, Incorporated, et al. v.
6 filing and sealing be and the same are	6	Lisa R. Kirby, et al., in the United States
7 hereby waived.	7	District Court, Southern District of New
8 IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND	8	York, Case Number 10-141-CMKF.
9 AGREED that all objections, except as to	9	This deposition is being held at 767
the form of the question, shall be	10 11	Fifth Avenue in New York, New York, on
reserved to the time of the trial. IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND	12	January 7, 2011 at approximately 11:09 A.M. My name is Matthew Smith for TSG Reporting,
AGREED that the within deposition may be	13	Incorporated, and I am the legal video
sworn to and signed before any officer	14	specialist. The court reporter is Kathy
authorized to administer an oath, with	15	Klepfer, in association with TSG Reporting.
the same force and effect as if signed	16	Will counsel please introduce yourself
and sworn to before the Court.	17	for the record?
18	18	MS. SINGER: Randi Singer of Weil
19	19	Gotshal for plaintiffs Marvel Worldwide.
20	20	With me is my colleagues Sabrina Perelman,
21	21	also of Weil Gotshal.
	22	MR. BARD: Eli Bard, Deputy General
23	23	Counsel, Marvel Entertainment.
22 23 24 25	24	MR. TOBEROFF: Marc Toberoff, Toberoff
1	25	& Associates, for the Kirby family.

Page 7 Page 6 1 L. Lieber 1 L. Lieber 2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: And will the court 2 Q. If you need a break at any time, just 3 reporter please swear in the witness? 3 let us know. Okay? 4 4 A. (Witness nods.) Yes. 5 5 LAWRENCE LIEBER, called as a Q. Mr. Lieber, could you just very 6 witness, having been duly sworn by a Notary 6 briefly tell us your personal background, your 7 Public, was examined and testified as 7 age, your education, where you were born? 8 8 follows: A. Well, I'm 79 years old. I was born in 9 **EXAMINATION BY** 9 New York City, grew up in the Bronx in L 0 Washington Heights. And I was in the service 0 MS. SINGER: 11 1 about the age of, I think, 19 for four years in Q. Good morning, Mr. Lieber. 12 2 A. Good morning. the air force. Came out. I don't know, I lived Q. Have you ever been deposed before? 13 3 in Long Island with relatives, and then I lived 14 A. No. 4 in, down in Tudor City when I started working 15 . 5 for Marvel, actually. That was in 1958. Q. Okay. Just a couple of ground rules. 6 You have to give, when I ask you a question, you 6 O. Okav. 17 have to give a verbal answer so that she can 17 A. And I worked for them from I guess, I 18 L 8 write it down because she can't get nods of your don't know how many years. For the past 23 19 head or anything like that. So you have to say 19 years I know I've been working just on a 20 "yes" or "no" or words. 20 newspaper strip for my brother, Stan Lee, and so 21 A. Uh-huh. 21 I haven't been actually working for Marvel. 22 22 Q. If you don't understand any of my Q. Okay. 23 questions, please feel free to ask me to 23 He pays me. 24 rephrase or ask for clarification. Okay? 24 Q. Okay. 25 A. (Witness nods.) 25 And it's been I think 23 years, I Page 8 Page 9 L. Lieber 1 L. Lieber 1 2 said. And I don't do any other work. I'm a --2 remember. 3 I've been a freelancer most of my life, but it 3 I -- I know I was doing, sometime 4 seems that I've only had one company to work for 4 back, I did The Hulk newspaper strip. That 5 or one person. I haven't been working for 5 started out with my brother writing it and me 6 drawing it, penciling it, and it didn't do well different companies. And that's ... 6 7 Q. Okay. Do you recall --7 and he finally said I could write it, and I 8 8 wrote that for a while. But it didn't last too A. And I've lived at the same address 9 since 1963, the same apartment. 9 long and but I don't remember when these things . 0 0 Q. Do you recall approximately when the were. 11 last time you did work for Marvel was? 11 Q. Okay. We're going to focus today on 12 A. That's hard. Well, I'd have to go --12 the period from 1958 to 1965, so that's fine. 13 I would say, I would say if you go back 23 years 13 A. Uh-huh. 4 and take a couple years before that, I guess. I 14 Q. I think you mentioned that you started . 5 didn't do much for them for quite a period of .5 working at Marvel in about 1958? L 6 . 6 A. I could tell you, yeah, it was -- it time. 17 .7 When my brother went out, he was -- he was -- well, I remember the date. This I happen 18 was the head of Marvel in the city here and then 18 to remember. June, the end of June. 19 he went out to California. When he went out to 19 Okay. Q. 20 California, Marvel got a new editor, Jim 20 About then, yeah. '58. Α. 21 Shooter. I did some work for Jim Shooter, some 21 Q. And how did you come to work for 22 22 inventory stories, a couple. I didn't do much Marvel? 23 work. I really wasn't working much. And I may 23 A. Stan offered me -- I had to earn a 24 have done some covers at the beginning and then 24 living. I had been living with relatives and I 25 a few inventory stories, and then I -- I don't 25 was going to the Art Students League studying

Page 59 Page 58 L. Lieber 1 L. Lieber 2 Q. Other than Marvel's attorneys, did --2 A. I told him what had happened and, you 3 who else did you speak with regarding this 3 know, the call, and I told him I declined. 4 4 Q. And what did he say to you? lawsuit? 5 5 A. Well, I spoke with my brother, Stan A. He didn't tell me I shouldn't, but he 6 6 sort of said, "Well, I hope you don't lose the Lee. 7 7 strip because of it or something." Q. And when was the first time you spoke 8 8 with your brother? Q. And he was referring, when he said, "I 9 A. I don't recall, but I -- I spoke with 9 hope you don't lose the strip because of this," 0 him after I was -- I know after I was first 0 he was referring to your work on the Spider-Man 11 approached and asked to come down and talk about 1 strip? 12 2 A. Yes. 13 Q. This was after you were approached and 3 Q. Is that, is your work on the 14 you testified --4 Spider-Man strip your sole means of livelihood? 15 5 A. After the phone call. A. Yes. 16 Q. And you testified that you declined; 6 Q. And has it been your sole means of 17 is that correct? 7 livelihood for the past I think you testified 23 18 .8 A. Yes. Yes. vears? 19 Q. And then you got a call from your 9 A. Yes. 20 20 Q. Did you speak to your -- I think you brother? 21 A. No, I talked -- I speak with him every 21 mentioned did you speak to your brother Stan 22 22 week to -- to go over my work. I have to send about your testifying in this case again after 23 my work to him, so while I was speaking to him, 23 that? 24 I mentioned it. 24 A. Yes. I told him --25 Q. And what did you say to him? 25 When was that? Page 60 Page 61 L. Lieber 1 1 L. Lieber 2 2 A. Let's see, I told him that I had MS. SINGER: I object to that on 3 3 finally -- the second time I got the phone call, grounds of privilege. 4 MR. TOBEROFF: You can answer. I spoke to him, and this time I told him I 4 5 decided to go down and talk to the lawyers for 5 A. When I first came into the room, the 6 Marvel or Disney. And I told him I was nervous 6 gentleman lawyer who is not present today, who 7 about it, and he said not to be, just tell the 7 was present then, I think he spoke about it as a 8 8 truth, don't worry about anything. He was claim that, I don't know, I got the impression 9 reassuring, or tried to be. 9 that it was sort of unjustified what Kirby was 0 0 Q. Now, at your first meeting with claiming and that, I don't know, that he was --11 Marvel's attorneys, to the best of your 11 can I put it that Kirby was treated fairly, .2 recollection -- and I don't need exact quotes --12 there was nothing done wrong or that they know, _3 13 what did Marvel's attorneys tell you? but they were pressing it. This was the 14 4 A. I don't recall them telling me except impression I got. . 5 asking me questions not as specific as today, 15 Q. Characterizing the claims in the Kirby . 6 6 but similar, in general, how I worked and what lawsuit as being unjustified? 7 L 7 it was like and so on. I don't remember the MS. SINGER: Objection. 18 exact questions or -- or -- other than what they 18 A. I think so. That was the --19 asked was similar to what I've been asked in the 9 I'm sorry. 20 interviews, and my answers were similar to what 20 MS. SINGER: I objected to the 21 I've given in interviews and what I gave today. 21 question. 22 22 I feel like they're all the same. That was the impression I had. 23 Q. And did Marvel's attorneys in any 23 Q. Anything else you can recall in that 24 respect characterize claims made by the Kirby 24 respect? 25 family in any respects? 25 In that respect, no. No. Nothing

Page 63 Page 62 L. Lieber 1 L. Lieber 1 2 2 Q. Were you shown any documents at that else. 3 Q. Now, at the meeting this morning 3 meeting? 4 4 before the deposition, what do you recall was A. No. I don't believe so. 5 5 said to you? Q. And at the second meeting this 6 6 A. My mind... morning, were you shown any documents? 7 Just to answer the questions, as I 7 A. No, I don't -- I don't believe so. 8 8 think you said, you know, be specific, and Not until here, no. 9 something about there may be objections. And 9 Q. Not until the deposition? 0 0 that made me nervous about objections. I A. Yes. .1 thought I'm in a conflict. But then I got I 1 Q. Did you speak with, other than 2 2 Marvel's attorneys and -- and your brother Stan think reassured that it had nothing to do with LЗ me that much and I could still answer or not 3 Lee, did you speak with anyone else regarding 4 answer, and I said I wanted to answer everybody 4 this lawsuit? . 5 who's asking me the question. And other than 5 A. Well, the woman in my life who I live 6 6 that, I don't recall much more. with, we talk about it. L 7 Q. Now, the first meeting you had at 17 O. I understand. Other than her? . 8 A. I did. I have a friend who is a 8 these law offices with Marvel's attorneys, how 9 long did that meeting last, approximately? 9 lawyer, and we've been friends for years, and I 20 A. I think it was a couple hours. I'm 20 told him about the situation when I was asked to 21 21 come down. And he asked me if I want to have a not... 22 22 lawyer go with me. He said you have a right or Q. And at that first meeting with 23 Marvel's attorneys, did you bring any documents 23 something. And I said, no, I don't want 24 24 to the meeting? anybody. My only intention is to go down and 25 A. No. 25 tell the truth as I know it. Page 64 Page 65 L. Lieber L. Lieber 1 1 2 I don't -- if I'm nervous about it, 2 A. Yes. 3 that's just me, but I'm not -- I'm not going 3 Q. And you draw the art for the syndicated newspaper strip The Amazing 4 down as a defendant or being accused of 4 5 anything. 5 Spider-Man? 6 Q. And you didn't -- did you speak with 6 A. Yes, I draw what we call the dailies, 7 anyone from the Walt Disney Company about this 7 Monday through Saturday. There's a Sunday page 8 8 that's in color and somebody else draws that. case? 9 9 Who draws that? A. No. No. No. O. . 0 .0 Q. Did you review any deposition Α. Saviuk his name is. All of a sudden, 11 transcripts of other witnesses in this case? 11 I can't think of his first name. 12 12 Q. That's okay. 13 Q. Did your brother Stan talk to you 13 And he draws that. A. 4 14 about his deposition? Q. Do you have a contract? 5 A. Yes. Well, he didn't talk about it. 15 A. I'm sorry. Alex was his name. Alex L 6 I happened to call him the day he came back from 6 Saviuk. 17 giving a deposition, and he said it took him 17 Do I have a contract? No. 18 seven hours and he was exhausted. And that was 18 (Pages 66 through 70 have been marked 19 all he said about it. So, that's what... 19 confidential pursuant to the protective order 20 20 and will continue on the next page.) Q. Are you presently an employee with 21 regard to the Spider-Man strips that you 21 22 22 illustrate, or do you work freelance? 23 A. I'm freelance. I'm freelance. 23 24 Q. And you work for your brother Stan 24 25 Lee, correct? 25

Page 107 Page 106 1 L. Lieber 1 L. Lieber 2 2 doing there? Don't I have them? And I -- I That's the beginning of an article entitled 3 "Kirby's Gamma Rays: Alpha to Omega!" Do you 3 went and looked through and I found I have them. 4 4 So I said, well, they're here, the originals, I see that? 5 5 A. I'm sorry, yes. I have the page, yes, must have. But when or where I don't know. 6 "Kirby's Gamma Rays: Alpha to Omega!" Yes. 6 I don't, again, my memory isn't good 7 7 Q. Now, when you turn to page 72 and I'm not always careful, so somebody I can 8 through -- they're not all numbered, but 72 8 assume must have asked me can I borrow them or 9 through 74. 9 take a picture of them or can I have them. LΟ A. Uh-huh. .0 Because these are stats of them here. And I 11 Q. Are those copies of --11 must -- or Xeroxes. And either I gave them the 12 12 copies or they took them and made copies and A. Yes. Q. -- these Hulk drawings that were 13 13 gave me back the originals. And who that 14 ripped in half? 14 person -- they were I don't know. It may have 15 A. Yes. Yes. Yes. 15 been the Kirby Collector or somebody before who L 6 16 gave them to the Kirby Collector. I don't know. O. And the line appearing in these 17 drawings is the place where, again, where they 17 Q. Okay. And were you interviewed in L 8 18 connection with this article about these were ripped in half? 19 A. Yes. 19 drawings? 20 Q. And did you supply these to the Kirby 20 A. No. No. It was just written here. 21 Collector for the purposes of this article? 21 (Lieber Exhibit 7, a document bearing 22 22 A. I don't believe so. I don't -- I Bates Nos. MARVEL0016570, marked for 23 23 didn't recall who or where I supplied them, and identification, as of this date.) 24 when I read them in the Kirby article, I was 24 MR. TOBEROFF: I would like to mark as 25 surprised and I thought, well, what is that 25 Lieber Exhibit 7 an agreement dated June 14, Page 108 Page 109 L. Lieber 1 1 L. Lieber 2 2 1978 between Larry Lieber and the Marvel page in of Exhibit 8, is that, is that you on 3 Comics Group, a Division of Cadence 3 the cover there? 4 Industries Corporation. 4 A. Yes. Yes, I guess, yes. 5 Q. Mr. Lieber, do you have any 5 Q. It says, "Marvel's Mystery Man... recollection regarding the agreement that's been 6 6 Larry Lieber"? 7 marked Lieber Exhibit 7? 7 A. Yes, that must be me. 8 8 Q. Did you give this interview? A. No. No. 9 9 I don't remember giving it, but I must Q. Is that your signature at the bottom A. LΟ 10 of the page? have. 11 A. It looks like it, yes. Yes. 11 Q. Do you have any reason to believe you 12 (Lieber Exhibit 8, excerpts from Comic 12 didn't give this interview? 13 Book Marketplace No. 72, October 1999, 13 A. No. No. Sure. It sounds like me, L 4 14 all the details. Yeah, that's me. Must have. marked for identification, as of this date.) L 5 (Lieber Exhibit 9, excerpts from Comic 15 Hum. '99. L 6 Book Marketplace No. 73, November 1999, 16 MR. TOBEROFF: I have no further 17 marked for identification, as of this date.) 17 questions for the time being, depending on 18 MR. TOBEROFF: I would like to mark as 8 what questions you ask. 19 Lieber Exhibit 8 excerpts from Comic Book 19 MS. SINGER: I have just a couple 20 Marketplace No. 72, October 1999; and mark, 20 of -- a couple of quick follow-up questions. FURTHER EXAMINATION BY 21 please, as Lieber Exhibit 9 excerpts from 21 22 22 Comic Book Marketplace No. 73, November MS. SINGER: 23 1999. Exhibit 8 and 9 comprise parts 1 and 23 Q. Mr. Lieber, did anyone at Marvel ever 24 2 of an interview with Larry Lieber. 24 tell you that if you didn't speak with their 25 Turning to the third page in -- fourth 25 lawyers, you would lose the strip?

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4	more work or more money or anything if you gave	4	3
5	a deposition or testified?		
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8	zombie story, a plot that you gave them, and	8	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
9	there was an editor who made you redo it a	9	
10	couple of times. Who was that editor?	10	*
11	A. Mary Wolfman.	11	
12	Q. Do you know approximately when that	12	
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14	A. It was I did the I'm trying I	14	, i
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16	was after I finished The Rawhide Kid, which I	16	
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25	MS. SINGER: I have no further	25	MR. TOBEROFF: We're done. I'm done.
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2	MS. SINGER: Okay.	2	
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